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FOR THE SECRETARY AND AID ADMINISTRATOR GILLIGAN FROM AMBASSADOR

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SUBJECT: POPULATION GROWTH AND FOOD PRODUCTION

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1. AMBASSADOR AND USAID DIRECTOR WILL CONTINUE THEIR DIALOGUE WITH GOZ OFFICIALS ON POPULATION GROWTH, FOOD PRODUCTION AND RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN THESE.

2. GOZ DEVELOPMENT PLANNING PLACES AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT AND SPECIFICALLY FOOD PRODUCTION AS HIGHEST PRIORITY. USG AND OTHER DONORS SUPPORTING THIS EMPHASIS. RECENT MEETING AGRICULTURAL SUB-GROUP OF IBRD-CHAIRLED CONSULTATIVE GROUP STRESSED IMPORTANCE FOOD PRODUCTION AND OUTLINED ALTERNATIVE APPROACHES TO OBTAIN INCREASES FOOD CROPS. ATTEMPTS ARE BEING MADE TO FOLLOW RECOMMENDATIONS COMING FROM THIS MEETING BUT IMPLEMENTATION TO DATE HAS BEEN MARGINALLY SUCCESSFUL DUE TO GENERAL ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL ENVIRONMENT. THROUGH OUR AID PROGRAM AND OUR PARTICIPATION IN CONSULTATIVE GROUPS, WE WILL CONTINUE PRESS GOZ TO SUPPORT FOOD PRODUCTION EFFORTS AND ALTER ITS AGRICULTURAL POLICIES ACCORDINGLY.

3. ALTHOUGH NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR DESIRED BIRTHS ESTABLISHED AND
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PRESIDENT HAS ISSUED POLICY STATEMENTS IN SUPPORT FAMILY PLANNING INFORMATION AND SERVICES THROUGOUT COUNTRY, IN REALITY PROGRAM HAS LOW GOZ PRIORITY. RESPONSIBILITY FOR DESIRED BIRTHS PROGRAM LOCATED IN PRESIDENT'S OFFICE BUT NO BUDGET AVAILABLE. ASSISTANCE PROVIDED BY AID CHANNLED THROUGH PATHFINDER FUND, INTERNATIONAL PLANNED PARENTHOOD FEDERATION, POPULATION COUNCIL, ALL OF WHOM HAVE SMALL PROGRAMS HERE. AID PROJECTS IN MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH AND

INTEGRATED HEALTH SYSTEMS ALSO INCLUDE SOME FAMILY PLANNING. FAMILY PLANNING EFFORTS ARE RECOGNIZED BY US AS INSUFFICIENT, AND WE CONTINUE

TO STRESS NEED FOR GREATER GOZ ATTENTION THIS PROBLEM. WHEN RESPONSIBILITY IN GOZ DEFINITELY FIXED, AND WHEN GOZ ACCORDS FAMILY PLANNING

PROGRAMS SUFFICIENT BUDGETARY SUPPORT, AID PLANS EXPANSION OF ASSISTANCE EFFORTS. IN THE INTERIM, WE ARE CONTINUING PRESS THE DIALOGUE IN THIS AREA. DIFFICULTY ARISES IN THAT WHILE GOZ FEELS POPULATION PRESSURES IN URBAN AREAS, ESPECIALLY KINSHASA, SPARSE POPULATION OF RELATIVE CULTIVABLE LAND RESULTS IN GOZ PLACING LOW PRIORITY ON FAMILY PLANNING PROGRAMS OUTSIDE OF KINSHASA. USAID FAMILY PLANNING OFFICER AND PRIVATE FAMILY PLANNING ORGANIZATIONS MENTIONED ABOVE DEVELOPING INFORMATION AND PRESENTING GOZ WITH IMPLICATIONS OF ALTERNATIVE POLICIES IMPACTING ON POPULATION QUESTIONS. LOCATION OF GOZ RESPONSIBILITY IN PRESIDENT'S OFFICE PROVIDES ACCESS TO TOP LEADERSHIP.

4. WE FEEL FOOD PRODUCTION ALREADY RECEIVING APPROPRIATE EMPHASIS BUT WE AND OTHER DONORS MUST CONTINUE APPLY PRESSURE. CONTINUING DIALOGUE ON IMPLICATIONS OF DIFFERENT POLICY ALTERNATIVES ON POPULATION QUESTIONS IS MOST APPROPRIATE WAY TO FOCUS GREATER GOZ ATTENTION ON POPULATION PROBLEMS, PARTICULARLY AS RELATED TO URBAN AREAS.
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